

REMARKS

The present filing is responsive to the Office Action.

Summary of the Response

Claims 1 and 10 have been amended. Claim 6 has been canceled. Claims 1-5 and 7-14 remain pending in this application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the present application as amended are respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant's appreciates the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claim 6.

Claim Rejections under 35 USC 103

Claims 1-5, 7-9 and 12-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tan et al. (US 5,622,522). Claims 10-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tan et al. (US 5,622,522) in view of Kitahara (US 5,440,452). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

While Applicant does not agree with the rejections, in the interest of forwarding this case to early allowance, Applicant amended claim 1 to include the allowable subject matter of claim 6 (essentially rewriting claim 6 as independent claim). Claim 1 as amended should now be patentable over the prior art of record.

Claim 10 has been amended to avoid reference to more than one claim.

CONCLUSION

In view of all the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims pending in this application are patentable over the references of record and are in condition for allowance. Such action at an early date is earnestly solicited. **The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned representative to discuss any outstanding issues that may not have been adequately addressed in this response.**

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this transmittal and associated documents, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 501288** referencing the attorney docket number of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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